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SUBJECT: VUAD CONCLUDEQ TOUR OF REFUGEE CAMPS

1. PRESIDENT MOHAMED SIAD BARRE CONCLUDED A 12-DAY TOUR OF YAVEN
DROUGHT-STRICKEN REGIONS, RETURNING TO MOGADISCIO ON APRIL 25. DURING

HIS TRIP, THE PRESIDENT, WHO WAS ACCCOMPANIED BY LT. COL ABDIRAZAK
MOHAMUD ABUBAKAR, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE SOCIAL COMMITTEE, AND MAJOR
GENERAL JAMA MOHAMED GHALIB, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERIOR,
VISITED 20 OF THE 22 RELIEF CAMPS. STATED PURPOSE OF TOUR WAS TO
ALLOW SIAD FIRST-HAND IMPRESSION OF DROUGHT SITUATION.

2. PREDICTABLY, SIAD SEIZED OCCASION TO LECTURE CAMP POPULATIONS
ON MERITS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM AND DANGEROUS PLOTS OF QTE
ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE AND IMPERIALISTS UNQTE WHO USE TRIBALISM AND
REGIONALISM TO UNDERMINE REVOLUTION. IN ERIGAVO HE ANHTUNCED THE
PARDON OF 12 STUDENTS ARRESTED AND CONDEMNED TO 30-YEAR PRISON
TERMS FOR QTE ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES UNQTE IN 1974.

3. WHILE SIAD WAS WARNING PEOPLE AGAINST OVER-RELIANCE ON GOVERNMENT
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TO MEET DAY-TO-DAY NEEDS, MOGADISCIO MEDIA WERE TRUMPETING THAT

GSDR WOULD SPARE NO MEANS OR RESOURCES TO COMBAT DROUGHT EFFECTS ON POPULACE. ON RETURN TO MOG, SIAD APPEALED FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE IN RESETTLEMENT TASK.

4. COMMENT: SIAD TRIP SEEN AS YET ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO REAL POLITICAL GAIN FROM DROUGHT DISASTER. PROPAGANDA SURROUNDING TOUR STRESSES NOTION THAT GSDR'S QTE HEALTHY LEADERSHIP UNQTE TOTALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR RELIEF EFFORT AND THAT STUDY OF SOCIALISM AND QTE TEACHINGS OF JAALE SIAD UNQTE WILL PRODUCE UNITY OF POPULACE REQUIRED TO COPE WITH DSBUGHT. SUCCESS OF EMERGENCY EFFORTS THUS FAR SAID TO DEMONSTRATE QTE POLITICAL MATURITY UNQTE OF SOMALI PEOPLE. EPITOME OF SELF-CONGRATULATORY LINE SEEN IN RADIO MOGADISCIO COMMENTARY ON APRIL 21 WHICH ASKED RHETORICALLY QTE WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED TO THESE MISERABLE PEOPLE WITHOUT THE REVOLUTIONW Y GOVERNMENT TO TAKE CARE OF THEM? WE MUST BE GRATEFUL THAT THIS DISASTER HAS HAPPENED WHILE THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IS IN POWER. UNQTE. HAMRICK

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